



GAME NOTES

Alberni Valley Bulldogs
at
Wenatchee Wild

Friday January 13, 2017



The Alberni Valley Bulldogs (13-19-5-2, 5th Place Island Div.) make their only stop of the year in Wenatchee (30-6-4-0, 1st Place Mainland Div.) tonight.

HEAD TO HEAD: This is the fourth meeting all-time between the Wild and Bulldogs. Wenatchee won a double overtime thriller on the road and then tied at home in the 2015-16 season. Four weeks ago, Wenatchee defeated the Bulldogs 2-1 at Weyerhauser Arena for a 2-0-0-1 record all-time.

STREAKING: Wenatchee's Brendan Harris enters tonight's game with an eight-game scoring streak, with at least a point in each outing.

WHO TO WATCH FOR: **Brendan Harris** continues to lead both the Wild and the BCHL with 71 points (17g, 55a), while **Charlie Combs** is second in overall points (61) and leads the BCHL with 38 goals. **Alex Bates** leads Wenatchee defense with 29 points (2g, 27a). For Alberni Valley, defenseman Trevor Cosgrove leads all scorers with 37 points (11g, 26a). Tristan Bukovec (11g, 20a) and Jake Witkowski (17g, 9a) are close behind.

MAGIC NUMBER: The Magic Number for the Wild to mathematically clinch their postseason berth is down to 2, following Surrey's 4-3 overtime loss at home to Coquitlam last night. Any combination of points earned by the Wild or lost by the fifth-place team (Surrey) that hits the "magic number" secures a playoff spot. Looking further ahead, the Wild's Magic Number is 14 to secure home ice in first round, and 30 to clinch a Mainland Division title.

HOME COOKIN': The Wild continue to be successful at home this season, posting a record of 17-0-2, and owning a 26-game point streak dating back to last season. This year, the Wild have outscored opponents by a total of 109-35 in games at Town Toyota Center.

MOVING ON: Tomorrow night the Cowichan Valley Capitals come to town, followed by the Coquitlam Express on Monday. The Bulldogs head to Penticton tomorrow night, then on to Merritt Sunday afternoon at 2pm.

MEDIA: Tonight's game and all Wild games are aired on Sunny FM (93.9 FM), and available on a pay-per-view basis with HockeyTV.com. Pregame show airs at 6:45 pm.

COMING PROMOTIONS: Monday's game features "Battle of the Bands" with the high school bands from Quincy and Ephrata in the building to further elevate the excitement!